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MINUTES

OF THE
White Oak Baptist Association,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

SOUTHWEST MEETING HOUSE, ONSLOW CO., N. C.,

ON THE

15th, 16th and 17th days of Oct., A. D., 1864.

SATURDAY, October 15th, 1864.

1st.—The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder N. H. Wilder, from the second Epistle of Paul to Timothy, 2d chap. and 19th verse: "Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal; the Lord knoweth them that are his."

2d.—The delegates convened together and the Association was opened with praise and prayer by Elder Aaron Davis.

3d.—The Association was organised by choosing Elder Aaron Davis, Moderator, and Jere. W. Yopp, Clerk, who called to his assistance Anson Lanier.

4th.—On motion, Brothers E. R. Henderson and Ivy Shepard were chosen a committee on finance.

5th.—On motion, brethren in the ministry and messengers from sister associations were invited to seats with us; none present.

6th.—On motion, corresponding letters were called for, when Elder Aaron Davis handed in a letter with a file of minutes from the Kehukee Association, the letter read and gladly received; also, by the same, a file of minutes from the Little River and Country Line Associations.

7th.—On motion, letters from the different churches composing this association called for, handed in and read, and the representation stated in the Table of Churches as follows, absentees marked thus*:

TABLE OF CHURCHES.

CHURCHES.	BY WHOM REPRESENTED.	No. in fellowship.	Contributions, ...
Cypress Creek, Duplin County.	Lewis Jones, Kenan Casteen,* Thos. Horn,* in case of failure, R. Jones.	1	13 6 00
Hadnot's Creek, Cartrett County.	Not Represented.		
Hunting Quarters Carteret County.	Not Represented.		
Muddy Creek, Duplin County.	Bryan Cavender, Benj. Lanair* Spi- rus Lanier,* case of failure, L. Horn*	32	10 00
Newport, Car- teret County.	Not Represented.		
North East, Oas- low County.	Scotney Waters, B. Kellum, B. R. Henderson,.....	1	18 6 00
North River.	Not Represented.		
Carteret County.			
Elleys Creek, N.	Sam'l. Mott,.....	1	19 5 00
Hanover County Southwest, Ons- low County.	Elder A. Davis, Bra. Ivy Shepard and Asson Lanier,.....	5	48 10 00
Stump Sound, Onslow County.	Jere. W. Yopp and Jacob Horn,*..	2	25 10 00
White Oak, Jones County.	Elder J. C. Hewlett and Job Smith.*	2	10 6 00
Wilmington, N.	Elder N. H. Wilder and Brother Spi- cer Padgett,.....	1	1 26 10 00
Hanover County Wards Hill,	Elder B. J. Pollard, Brothers Wm. Winberry and Z. Marine,*.....		15 5 00
Onslow County.	Elders B. W. Jenkins,* J. W. Brown and Aza Sildbury,.....	1	13 10 00

8th.—On motion, petitionary letters for membership in this association were called for; none presented.

9th.—On motion, agreed that our next association be held with the Church at Muddy Creek, Duplin County, N. C., and to commence at 11 o'clock, A. M., on Saturday before the third Lord's Day in October, 1865, and Elder B. J. Pollard preach the introductory sermon, and in case of failure, Elder Aaron Davis.

10th.—On motion, the following Brethren were chosen to preach at the stand on to-morrow (Sunday,) viz: Elders B. J. Pollard, N. H. Wilder and Aaron Davis; worship to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M. About this time Elder W. C. Turner arrived, and by invitation took a seat with us.

11th.—On motion, the association adjourned over until 9¹/₂ o'clock, A. M., Monday morning, by Brother B. Cavender.

SUNDAY, October 16th, 1864.

12th.—The Brethren chosen to preach to-day met, and the services of the day were introduced by Elder W. C. Turner, by request of the Brethren, and preached from St. John, 6th chap. and 63d verse: "It is the Spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life." Elder B. J. Pollard followed and preached from the 13th chap. and 9th verse of Zachariah: "And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on my name, and I will hear them; I will say; it is my people, and they shall say, the Lord is my God." Elder N. H. Wilder followed and preached from the 35th chap. and 10th verse of Isaiah: "And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with songs, and everlasting joy upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness: and sorrow and sighing shall flee away." Elder Aaron Davis adjourned the services of the day. There was a large and attentive congregation present, and we trust the Lord may attend the same with a blessing.

MONDAY, 17th day of October, 1864.

13th.—The Association convened and was opened with praise and prayer by Elder J. C. Hewett.

14th.—The names of the delegates called over, and those absent marked in the Table of Churches thus.

15th.—Rules of decorum read over.

16th.—Of the Brethren appointed last year to visit sister associations, some attended and those that did not were excused.

17th.—The following Brethren were appointed delegates to sister associations next year: Elder N. H. Wilder and Brothers Saml. Mott and Spicer Padgett, to Country Line and Abbots Creek Association; Elders B. J. Pollard, J. C. Hewett, J. W. Brown and Brother B. R. Henderson, to Little River Association; Elders N. H. Wilder, Aaron Davis to the Kehukee Association; Elders N. H. Wilder, Aaron Davis, J. C. Hewett, Brothers Ivy Shepard and H. Lanier to Contentnea Association.

18th.—The Committee on Finance called upon to report and discharged. Their report is as follows:

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Balance on hand last year,.....	\$7 70
Contribution this year,.....	78 00
	85 70

19th.—Agreed that the Clerk of this Association transcribe, superintend and prepare these minutes for the press, and have four hundred copies printed, and distribute them as usual, and send a package to each association we correspond with.

20th.—Agreed that we allow our Clerk \$10 00 for his services.

21st.—The Association then adjourned to the time and place of its next sitting, with praise and prayer by Elder B. J. Pollard.

AARON DAVIS, Moderator.

JERE. W. YOPP, *Clerk.*
ANSON LANIER, *Asst. Clerk.*

NAMES OF MINISTERS AND POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

Josiah Smith, Pollocksville, Jones County, N. C.	
N. H. Wilder, Wilmington, New Hanover County, N. C.	
Aaron Davis, Wilmington, New Hanover County,	"
B. W. Jenkins, Sneed's Ferry, Onslow County,	"
B. J. Pollard, Wolf Pitt, Onslow County,	"
J. W. Brown, Stone's Bay, Onslow County,	"
Thos. Mann, Shepardsville, Carteret County,	"

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